

AI - VII - A - 030  
Hill Street School  
Frostburg

late 19th century

The Hill Street School is the oldest school building found in Frostburg. It was erected in the late 19th century to provide additional elementary school classrooms and was eventually enlarged to accommodate a secondary school as well. The building is an irregular rectangular block of brick laid in American Common Bond. It has a hipped roof and three corbeled brick chimneys.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

0103824602  
AL-VII-A-030

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Hill Street School

AND/OR COMMON

Hill Street School

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

65 Hill Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC  
☐ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☒ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Allegany County Board of Education

Telephone #: 722-6695

STREET &amp; NUMBER

108 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

AL-VII-A-030

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

---

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

---

Hill Street School is located at 65 Hill Street in Frostburg, Allegany County on the northwest side of the street at the intersection of Oak Street.

The school basically consists of a two story, fourteen bays wide, irregular rectangular shaped block. Several small wings abut the main block of the facade on all sides and they all are covered with hip roofs. The building is laid in American Common Bond brick construction with a brick belt course surrounding the entire facade at the top of the first story level. The foundation features high stone construction, including double hung wooden sash windows plus pediments and one-over-one lights on all sides, with a plain water table. The hip roof of the principal facade is covered with asphalt, or tar paper materials and has plain soffit eaves. Windows in the school feature double hung wooden sash frames with one-over-one lights, or in some sections, simple square one light frames and all have inscribed brick pediments over the frames. The main entrance is located on the southwest face of the principal facade and features double doors with transom and transom lights. Several other entrances are placed around the sides of the school with an entrance similar to that of the front, located on a rear northeast wing. Three large corbeled brick chimneys, that appear to be original, are located on the interior of the structure.

The school is structurally sound and is still being used for elementary classrooms

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES late 19th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hill Street School was erected in the late nineteenth century for the purpose of additional elementary classrooms. The school was built approximately the same time in which the Beall School, now demolished, was enlarged to accommodate a secondary school. The structure itself, is in good condition and is currently still being used for elementary classrooms, however, through years of use the structure is in need of repair. The facade is the oldest school building found in Frostburg and is a good example of the practical and utilitarian style of architecture that was formerly used for educational structures.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 200' x 150'

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

65 Hill Street

Boundary Lines Southeast & Northwest 150'    Lines Southwest &  
Northeast 200'

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

4/21/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

10 Park Lane

TELEPHONE

689-8486

CITY OR TOWN

Frostburg

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. A1-VII-A-030Liber - 160 181  
Folio - 55 317DATE: 4/16/76

200' x 150'

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Hill Street SchoolLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Southwest 65 Hill St.DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: SouthwestNAME OF OWNER: Allegheny Co. Board of EducationADDRESS: 108 Washington St  
Cumberland, MD. 21502STORIES: 1( ) 2(☒) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) (☒ 14)WINGS, ADDITIONS: NoneDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ( ) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)  
(☒) BRICK: Bond type- common English, Flemish. Sketch variants.  
( ) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated  
( ) LOG  
( ) Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTER, OTHERS Plain Brick BeltFOUNDATIONS: HIGH LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELLED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(☒) 2/2( ) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) Brick  
pegged ( ) nailed ( ) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment (☒)ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: North, South, East & WestHARDWARE: original(☒) replaced( )PAN LIGHT, TRANSOM SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Transom LightsPaneled, verticle, Horizontal Boards verticle Windows - Double DoorCORNICHE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)original(☒) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,

Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced(☒)PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip( ) gable(☒) Entrance PorchesCHIMNEYS: NUMBER 3 BRICK(☒) STONE( ) CORBELLED(☒) original(☒) replaced( )LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior (☒)ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - SchoolSignificance - Arch. EducationDate Constructed - late 19th CenturyCondition - GoodFoundation

Key points regarding interior architecture.

1. Floor plan

No through hall--How many rooms long and deep?  
Where is stairway? Straight or winding?

With through hall--Rooms on both sides? How many?  
Rooms on one side only? How many?

Is stair in through hall?

Open or enclosed? Straight--one run. Straight--landing  
How many? Curved.

If not in hall, where is stair?

2. Wall finish: plaster, paneled, board partition  
Note presence of chair rail, cornice, etc.

3. Fireplaces: How many? Parallel to walls or diagonal in corner?

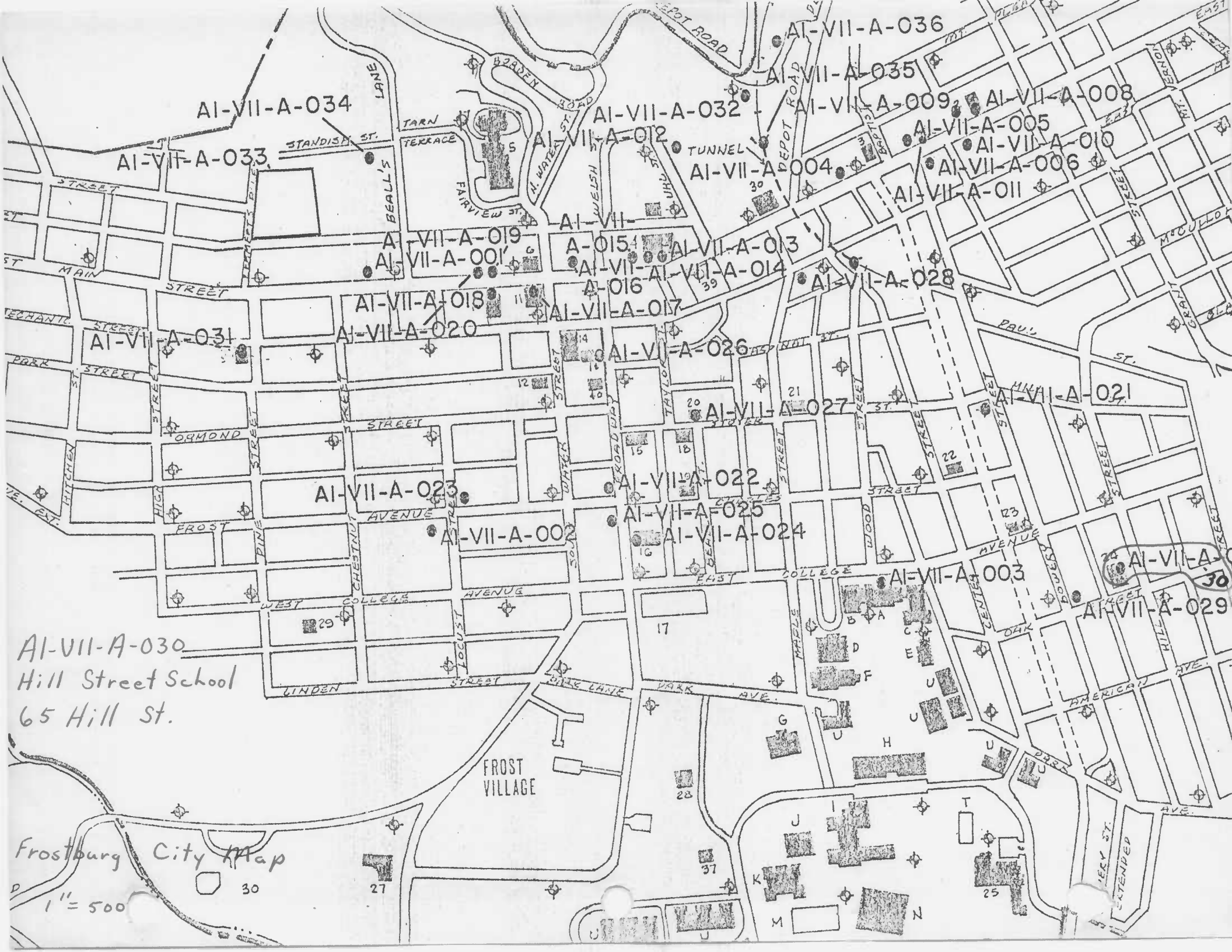
Mantels: wood--mouldings, pilasters, columns  
masonry--marble(what color?), brick

3. Doors: on the inside of exterior doors, note the presence of applied flush boards and their direction (diagonal, vertical, horizontal). In general are doors paneled or ledge or other?

4. Door and window trim: plain, architrave; fluted, reeded; pilasters

5. Kitchen: Where is original if extant or known (marked by very large fireplace)? Separate building; wing to principal dwelling; within principal dwelling? On which floor of any of the above?

6. Note presence of wood (if any) on any wooden member present



AI-VII-A-034

AI-VII-A-033

AI-VII-A-032

AI-VII-A-036

AI-VII-A-035

AI-VII-A-008

AI-VII-A-005

AI-VII-A-010

AI-VII-A-006

AI-VII-A-011

AI-VII-A-004

AI-VII-A-012

AI-VII-A-019

AI-VII-A-001

AI-VII-A-015

AI-VII-A-013

AI-VII-A-016

AI-VII-A-014

AI-VII-A-028

AI-VII-A-018

AI-VII-A-017

AI-VII-A-020

AI-VII-A-026

AI-VII-A-027

AI-VII-A-021

AI-VII-A-023

AI-VII-A-022

AI-VII-A-025

AI-VII-A-024

AI-VII-A-002

AI-VII-A-003

AI-VII-A-030

AI-VII-A-029

AI-VII-A-030

Hill Street School

65 Hill St.

Frostburg City Map

1" = 500





Hill Street School

A1- U11- A - 030

65 Hill St. Frostburg

John E. Nelson

4/16/76

West



**AL-VII-A-030**

HILL STREET SCHOOL, Frostburg

FIGURE 82.

4/16/1976 - John Nelson



Hill Street School

A1-VII-A-030

65 Hill St. Frostburg

John E. Nelson

4/16/76

East